

Mayors Climate Protection Agreement Progress Report Card

Grading based on the following scale: A=Excellent/Exceeds Expectations; B=Above Average/Meets Expectations; C=Satisfactory; D=Needs Improvement; F=Poor.

C	Inventory global warming emissions in City operations and in the community, set reduction targets and create an action plan. Satisfactory. But needs some improvement due to the need for reduction targets and an action plan.
B	Adopt and enforce land-use policies that reduce sprawl, preserve open space, and create compact, walkable urban communities. Above average. The goals have been met but this action item will need attention as the city grows.
B	Promote transportation options such as bicycle trails, commute trip reduction programs, incentives for car pooling and public transit. This action item seems to be a high priority for City planners. It seems that the City has met and exceeded the needs of this action item through the GetAbout Columbia program and the Sidewalk Master Plan with improvements needed in public transit.
A	Increase the use of clean, alternative energy by, for example, investing in “green tags,” advocating for the development of renewable energy resources, recovering landfill methane for energy production and supporting the use of waste to energy technology. To date, needs have been surpassed. To keep this grade, we must make sure that 10 percent of retail sales are from renewable energy by Dec. 31, 2017.
B	Make energy efficiency a priority through building code improvements, retrofitting city facilities with energy efficient lighting and urging employees to conserve energy and save money. Goals met but not exceeded
A	Purchase only Energy Star equipment and appliances for City use. Goals met.
B	Practice and promote sustainable building practices using the U.S. Green Building Council LEED program or similar system. Goals met for City-owned facilities however more efforts could be made with community-owned facilities.
C	Increase the average fuel efficiency of municipal fleet vehicles; reduce the number of vehicles; launch an employee education program including anti-idling messages; convert diesel vehicles to biodiesel. Some goals met. A City-sponsored employee education plan needs to be put in place to help educate employees about anti-idling, fuel conservation, etc.
A	Evaluate opportunities to increase pump efficiency in water and wastewater systems; recover wastewater treatment methane for energy production. Exceeds expectations
B	Increase recycling rates in City operations and in the community. Meets expectations. More could possibly be done to encourage better recycling rates in the City, as our population grows.
B	Maintain healthy urban forests and promote tree planting to increase shading and to absorb CO2. Multiple City departments participate in maintaining healthy tree cover.
B	Help educate the public, schools, other jurisdictions, professional associations, business and industry about reducing global warming pollution. Meets expectations will work to exceed expectations with more partnerships and collaborations.